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## **EDMC**

Subject: B-Reactor EE/CA Proposed Cleanup Plan for Hanford's B Reactor Facility

I have reviewed the cleanup actions discussed in the Proposed Cleanup Plan for Hanford's B Reactor Facility, and definitely am in favor of Alternative No. 3 so that the hazards may be mitigated and that the facility may be maintained as a historic property available for public access.

I began work as a Mechanical Engineer at Hanford in 1951, retired in 1989, and then worked for Hanford sub-contractors until 1996. I became a member of the B Reactor Museum Association to support having the B Reactor preserved and eventually made into a museum.

I also have a very strong personal reason for supporting Alternative No. 3 in that as an Engineer in the GE Construction Engineering & Utilities Operation, I prepared several Engineering Design modifications to the B Reactor Facility, and other Hanford Facilities. I prepared the design of the Reactor Building Ventilation Exhaust System HEPA and Carbon filtration facilities for B Reactor, and the other Production Reactors. When the power levels of B Reactor, and the other older Reactors were increased, I was responsible for the design modifications to the Reactor Front and Rear Face horizontal cross headers, risers, and downcomers. I also prepared the stress analysis calculations for the piping modifications.

I feel very strongly that the preservation of the B Reactor would provide important historical data, and as a museum would benefit the region.

Sincerely,

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